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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 2,3,13,14,16,17,19 and 20 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,4-12,15,17,18 and 21-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application) since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121 since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The Amendment, filed on 9/12/03, has been entered and acknowledged by the Examiner.

Specification

The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claims 1, 4-12, 15, 17-18, 21-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Amendments to claims 1, 15, and 27 include the added feature of the mounting member being adjustably movable along the wall surface of the setting member. The Examiner has not found any description or support for this feature in the specification and it is therefor believed to be new matter. Furthermore, the drawings show the setting member having notches 28 and slots 31 that engage with the claw portion 27 of the mounting member. Such teachings seem to be in direct conflict with the claimed feature of the mounting member being adjustably movable along the surface of the setting member.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1, 15, 21, 23-25 and 27-28 are rejected under are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the prior art admitted by applicant in view of Kim (US 5,763,994) and further in view of Sato et al. (JP 5-20250) and further in view of Choi (US 6,559,588).

Regarding claims 1, 15, and 23 the applicant discloses picture tube (CRT) in Fig. 1 with an electron gun 5 in a neck portion of the funnel 4 and a deflection yoke 6 mounted on an outer surface of the funnel 4. Present day CRT's conventionally are of the color-type and have an outer envelope composed of a front panel, funnel portion and a neck portion. The front panel conventionally has a phosphor screen on its inner surface as evidenced by Kim. The applicant further discloses that a deflection yoke of the bend-up-less type comprising a saddle-shaped horizontal deflection coil, a saddle-shaped vertical deflection coil, an insulating frame, and a correction coil are conventionally used in broad deflection angle CRT apparatuses (Background Art of present application). The saddle-shaped horizontal deflection coil and the saddle-shaped vertical deflection coil are provided along, respectively the inner and outer surface of the insulating frame, which insulates the deflection coils. The rear end of the electron gun side bend portion of the vertical deflection coil is positioned adjacent to a screen facing wall surface of the setting member. The applicant further discloses that the correction coil is provided above the outer surface of an electron gun side bend portion of the deflection coils. The prior art admitted

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by the applicant however does not teach a setting member which is integrally formed with the insulating frame.

The Kim reference teaches an insulating frame 34a in Fig. 3 that has a part which acts as a setting member. The setting member part of the insulating frame 34a is on the electron gun 33 side and behind the bend portion of the deflection coils (shown in Fig. 3 but not separately labeled). The correction coil 50 is set at a fixed position in front of a wall surface of the setting member which is a plate with a flat surface that faces the screen and therefore inherently has a positioning fixing member. Since the insulating frame 34a has a portion that acts as a setting member, there is no need to provide a separate back cover as is the case with the prior art admitted by the applicant. Accordingly, one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated at the time the invention was made to have used a setting member that is integrally formed with the insulating frame so as to eliminate the need for a separate back cover, reducing the number of parts and steps required for assembly.

Neither the prior art admitted by the applicant or the Kim reference specifically teach a positioning fixing member that is freely detachable in relation to the setting member. However, the Sato reference teaches a correction coil 11 in Fig. 1 that is supported by a positioning fixing member 5 that is structured to be freely detachable in relation to the setting member 4 and allows for the correction coil 11 to be replaced more easily if a problem arises or the correction coil is defective. The positioning fixing member is structured so as to be positioned and fixed to the setting member 4 by gripping the perimeter of the setting member 4.

Accordingly, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it obvious to use a fixing member which is freely detachable so that the correction coil can be easily replaced if a defect occurs.

None of the prior art mentioned specifically teach the correction coil being adjustably movable along the wall surface of the setting member to a desired corrective position. However, the Choi reference teaches a correction means with a position adjusting means that is adjustably movable along the surface of the setting member so that the position of the correction means can be finely and precisely adjusted so as to be capable of finely correcting the magnetic field (col. 4, lines 62-65). Accordingly, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it obvious to include a mounting member capable of being adjustably movable along the wall surface of the setting member so as to be capable of precisely adjusting the position of the correction coil in order to finely correct the magnetic field.

Regarding claim 21, Kim teaches the setting member part of the insulating frame 34a having a flat wall surface facing the screen of the CRT (Fig. 3). The same reasoning given in the rejection of claims 1 and 15 applies.

Regarding claim 24, the Sato reference discloses the positioning fixing member 5 having a structure in which two opposing rod members 8,14 extend from the correction coil 11 substantially horizontally in opposite directions (Fig. 1). A tip of each rod member 8,14 is bent around the perimeter of the setting member 4, and the inner surface of the bend hooks to the perimeter of the setting member 4.

Regarding claim 25, Fig. 1 of the Sato reference discloses a base end 9,10 of each of the opposing rod members 8,14 which is secured to the correction coil 11. Also, a tip of each of the

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opposing rod members 8,14 extends along a core rod direction. The Sato reference does not specifically state that the rod members 8,14 are secured to the end surface of the core 7 of the correction coil. However, it is noted that the applicant's specific limitation of the rod members being secured to the core portion of the correction coil is not shown to solve any of the stated problems or yield any unexpected result that is not within the scope of the teachings applied. Therefore it is considered to be a matter of choice, which a person of ordinary skill in the art would have found obvious to select any part (the flange, the ends of the core, the middle of the core, etc.) of the correction coil for connecting the rod members of the fixing member as long as desired placement of the correction coil with respect to the setting member can be achieved.

Regarding claims 27, the same reasoning for combination given in the rejection of claims 1 and 15 applies. A method of manufacturing the deflection yoke resulting from combining the prior art admitted by the applicant and the Kim, Sato, and Choi reference would inherently include a step for preparing the insulating frame which was integrally formed with the setting member. It would also inherently include a step for providing the horizontal deflection coil on the inner surface of the insulating frame and a step for providing the vertical deflection coil on the outer surface of the insulating frame so that the rear end of the electron gun side bend portion of the vertical deflection coil is positioned adjacent to the screen facing wall surface of the setting member. Since the correction coil is set to the wall surface of the setting member which faces the screen of the CRT, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have set the vertical deflection coil before setting the correction coil so that the correction coil does not pose a problem of getting in the way when performing the step of setting the vertical deflection coil. As mentioned in the rejection of claims 1 and 15 the correction coil

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would be positioned above the outer surface of the electron gun side bend portion, by adjustably moving a position fixing member along the wall surface of the flat plate to a desired corrective position.

Regarding claim 28, the Kim reference teaches that the correction coil instead of being fixed to the setting member may be fixed to the neck of the CRT by adhesion or a separate fixing member (col. 2, lines 56-59), implying that the correction coil may be set at a predetermined distance from the wall surface of the setting member that faces the screen of the CRT if so desired. The same reasoning for combination given in the rejection of claims 1 and 15 applies. Therefore, if the method of securing the correction coil to the neck of the CRT is chosen, which is in accordance with the teachings applied, the step for setting the correction coil would include placing and setting the correction coil at a predetermined distance from the screen-side wall surface of the setting member. Regarding claims 3, 17, and 23, neither the prior art admitted by the applicant or the Kim reference specifically teach a positioning fixing member that is freely detachable in relation to the setting member. However, the Sato reference teaches a correction coil 11 in Fig. 1 that has a positioning fixing member 5 that is structured to be freely detachable in relation to the setting member 4 which allows for the correction coil 11 to be replaced more easily if a problem arises. The positioning fixing member is structured so as to be positioned and fixed to the setting member 4 by gripping the perimeter of the setting member 4.

Accordingly, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it obvious to use a fixing member which is freely detachable so that the correction coil can be easily replaced if a defect occurs.

Claims 4, 10-12, 18, and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the prior art admitted by applicant in view of Kim (US 5,763,994) in view of Sato et al. (JP 5-20250) and further in view of Kohzuki et al. (US 4,788,470) and Hishiki et al. (US 6,046,538).

Regarding claims 4 and 18, as mentioned in the rejection of claims 1 and 15 the prior art admitted by the applicant teaches the correction coil placed above the electron gun side bend portion of the deflection coils. The Kim reference teaches in Fig. 5 the correction coil 61 having a bobbin 65a which covers the core 61a and which is conductive wire wound there around. The positioning fixing member is inherently set at a substantially fixed position in relation to the core 61a. The same reasoning for combining given above in claim 1 applies. Neither the prior art admitted by the applicant nor the Kim reference specifically teach the correction coil having a leg portion. However correction coils having a leg portion that points in a direction toward the neck of the tube such as correction coils having a U-shaped or E-shaped core are conventionally used in the art to compensate for misconvergence caused by the horizontal and vertical deflection coils, as evidenced by the Kohzuki and Hishiki references. Therefore, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it an obvious choice to have used a correction coil without a leg portion such as the one taught by Kim or one having a leg portion, as those taught by Kohzuki and Hishiki, that points in a direction toward the electron gun side bend portion of the deflection coils depending on the type of misconvergence needed to be corrected.

Regarding claim 10-12, Fig. 3 of the Kohzuki reference teaches a correction coil 16 with a U-shaped core 21 with leg portions 21a, 21b. The bobbin 23 covers substantially a center portion of the U-shaped core 21 whose legs point toward the neck of the tube. Fig. 3 also

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discloses a correction coil 18 with an I-shaped core 25 with a bobbin 27 covering substantially its center portion. The I-shaped core has one end pointing towards the neck of the tube. The Hishiki reference, in Fig. 32, discloses a correction coil 206 with an E-shaped core 206 with one bobbin 212a, 212b, 212c covering each of the leg portions. The leg portions each pointing toward the neck of the tube. One of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it an obvious choice to have used a correction coil with an E-shaped, U-shaped, or I-shaped core or combination thereof based on preference and what type of misconvergence needed to be corrected by the correction coils. Furthermore, as mentioned in the rejection of claim 1, the prior art admitted by the applicant teaches the correction coil placed above the electron gun side bend portion of the deflection coils. Therefore, a correction coil having an E-shaped or U-shaped core placed in the position taught by the admitted prior art will have leg portions pointing toward the electron gun side bend portion of the deflection coils. Placing the I-shaped core in the position taught by the prior art will result in one end pointing in the direction of the electron gun side bend portion of the deflection coils. The same reasoning for combination given in the rejection of claims 4 and 18 applies.

Regarding claim 22, Kim teaches the setting member part of the insulating frame 34a having a flat plate form, and is integrally formed with the insulating frame 34a such that it is upright from the electron gun side end of the insulating frame 34a (Fig. 3). Same reasoning for combining given in the rejections of claims 4 and 18 and claims 10-12 apply.

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the prior art admitted by applicant in view of Kim (US 5,763,994) in view of Kohzuki et al. (US 4,788,470) and Hishiki et al. (US 6,046,538) and further in view of Sato et al. (JP 5-20250).

Regarding claim 9, the prior art admitted by the applicant, the Kim reference, the Kohzuki reference and the Hishiki reference fail to specifically state that the correction coils include a flange portion. However, Fig. 1 of the Sato reference discloses a flange portion (not labeled) provided at both ends of the bobbin 6. The same reasoning for combination given in the rejection of claims 1, 15, and 23 applies. Sato does not specifically state that the flange portions contact the setting member 4. However, it is noted that the applicant's specific limitation of the flange portions contacting the setting member is not shown to solve any of the stated problems or yield any unexpected result that is not within the scope of the teachings applied. Therefore it is considered to be a matter of choice, which a person of ordinary skill in the art would have found obvious to select any placement (touching the setting member, in front of the setting member, etc.) of the flange portions as long as the positioning fixing member is set at a substantially fixed position in relation to the core.

Claims 5-8 and 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the prior art admitted by applicant in view of Kim (US 5,763,994) in view of Kohzuki et al. (US 4,788,470) and Hishiki et al. (US 6,046,538) and further in view of Endo (US 4,300,285) and Ishiwata (US 5,433,498).

Regarding claims 5-8, none of the afore mentioned references specifically teach a fixing member with a claw portion which is interlocked with a notch portion of the setting member. It is noted that the applicant's specific types of fixing means do not solve any of the stated problems or yield any unexpected result that is not within the scope of the teachings applied. Therefore it is considered to be a matter of choice, which a person of ordinary skill in the art would have found obvious to select any type of fixing means that allows for the correction coil to

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be freely detachable from the setting member. Furthermore, page 14 of the specification of the current application states that using a notch portion and claw portion is just one example of a method for mounting the correction coil to the setting member and that many other methods of mounting are possible.

Furthermore, the Endo and Ishiwata references teach methods of fixing an object to another object. Fig. 10 of the Endo reference discloses a setting member 22 having a notch 21b and a positioning fixing member having a claw portion 42a which is interlocked with the notch 21b. The Ishiwata reference teaches a positioning fixing member 63 having a protruding portion 65 with a fitting portion 66 which is inserted in an insertion aperture, a slot 64, provided in the setting member 62. Since the Endo and Ishiwata references are in the same field of endeavor of fixing an object to another object, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it to be an obvious choice to use any of the fixing techniques described by Endo or Ishiwata for use in fixing a correction coil to the setting member of a deflection yoke.

Regarding claim 26, none of the afore mentioned references specifically teach a fixing member with a claw portion which is interlocked with a notch portion of the setting member. It is noted that the applicant's specific types of fixing means do not solve any of the stated problems or yield any unexpected result that is not within the scope of the teachings applied. Therefore it is considered to be a matter of choice, which a person of ordinary skill in the art would have found obvious to select any type of fixing means that allows for the correction coil to be freely detachable from the setting member.

Furthermore, the Endo and Ishiwata references teach a method of fixing an object to another object. Fig. 10 of the Endo reference discloses a setting member 22 having a notch 21b

and a positioning fixing member having a claw portion 42a which is interlocked with the notch 21b. The Ishiwata reference teaches a positioning fixing member with a latch protrusion 66 which latches into an aperture 64 provided on the positioning fixing member 63. The fixing member 63 is positioned and fixed by inserting the latch protrusion 66 into the aperture 64. Since the Endo and Ishiwata references are in the same field of endeavor of fixing an object to another object, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it to be an obvious choice to use any of the fixing techniques described by Endo or Ishiwata for use in fixing a correction coil to the wall surface of the setting which faces the setting member of a deflection yoke. The same reasoning for combination given in the rejections of claims 1, 4, and 10-12 apply.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 9/12/03 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

With respect to the Applicant's arguments concerning the rejection of claims 5-8 and 26 and the use of the Endo and Ishiwata references, the examiner simply used the references to show that no new or novel fixing means in the art of fixing an object to another object were claimed. It has been held that a prior art reference must either be in the field of applicant's endeavor or, if not, then be reasonably pertinent to the particular problem with which the applicant was concerned, in order to be relied upon as a basis for rejection of the claimed invention. The Sato reference already teaches a fixing means for fixing the correction coil to the setting member.

As stated in the rejection, the applicant's specific types of fixing means do not solve any of the stated problems or yield any unexpected result that is not within the scope of the teachings applied. Therefore it is considered to be a matter of choice, which a person of ordinary skill in the art would have found obvious to select any type of fixing means that allows for the correction coil to be freely detachable from the setting member. The Sato reference teaches a fixing means for fixing the correction coil to the setting member.

In response to applicant's arguments against the references individually, one cannot show nonobviousness by attacking references individually where the rejections are based on combinations of references. The prior art admitted by the Applicant discloses the rear end of the electron gun side bend portion of the vertical deflection coil as well as the correction means being positioned above the outer surface of the electron gun side bend portion. The Kim reference is used simply to teach the use of a setting member formed integrally with the insulating frame and the correction coil being positioned on the screen-facing surface of the setting member.

In response to applicant's argument that the examiner's conclusion of obviousness is based upon improper hindsight reasoning, it must be recognized that any judgment on obviousness is in a sense necessarily a reconstruction based upon hindsight reasoning. But so long as it takes into account only knowledge which was within the level of ordinary skill at the time the claimed invention was made, and does not include knowledge gleaned only from the applicant's disclosure, such a reconstruction is proper.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to *Anthony Perry* whose telephone number is (703) 305-1799. The examiner can normally be reached between the hours of 9:00AM to 5:30PM Monday thru Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel, can be reached on (703) 305-4794. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-7382.

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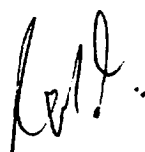
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